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INFORMATION FROM ATAMAN CONCERNING LANGE (1944)

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[Part I] To the 8th Department.

On 30th June ATAMAN[i] reported the following to SELIM KHAN [ZELIMKHAN][ii]:

1. The journalist Joseph OLSON who became acquainted with ATAMAN through LANGE[iii] said that in a conversation with MIKOLAJCZYK [MIKOLAJCHIK][iv]

[39 groups unrecoverable]

2. The other day LANGE presented to the BANK[v] and to CAPTAIN's[vi] Secretariat a report on the journey to the USSR and the conversation with Comrade STALIN. A.[vii] read this report

[63 groups unrecovered]

He[a] points out that Wanda WASILEWSKA[viii] with

[70 groups unrecovered]

[58 groups unrecoverable]

[2 groups unrecovered] Polish question [3 groups unrecovered].

[Part II]

[37 groups unrecovered]

that OLSON [7 groups unrecovered] [C% feeling against SOSNKOWSKI[ix]]

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[10 groups unrecovered]

the COUNTRY [STRANA][x] and the ISLAND [OSTROV][xi].  
Learning of

[58 groups unrecovered]

[15 groups unrecoverable]

evaluation by[b] SELIM KHAN of this first report [MATERIAL][c]

[105 groups unrecovered]

No. 525

MAY[xii][d]

No. 528

MAY[e]

## Notes:

- [a] Or 'she/it/they'.
- [b] Another possible interpretation is: "... evaluation of this first report of SELIM KHAN's".
- [c] The Russian word 'MATERIAL' can mean <sup>s</sup>source material, information, documents or even an individual report. The last meaning seems the most appropriate.
- [d] In the text this signature is placed at the end of Part I.
- [e] Presumably the signature to a second message sent together with internal serial No. 525 under NEW YORK's external serial No. 957. Its beginning should be in the "105 groups unrecovered" above.

## Comments:

- [i] ATAMAN : Boleslaw K. GEBERT. *Polish citizen resident in USA from 1912 to 1947 when he returned to POLAND.*
- [ii] SELIM KHAN : Unidentified cover-name.
- [iii] LANGE : Professor Oscar LANGE, who visited MOSCOW in April and May 1944.
- [iv] MIKOLAJCZYK : Stanislaw MIKOLAJCZYK, Prime Minister of the Polish Government in Exile since 1943.
- [v] BANK : U.S. State Department.
- [vi] CAPTAIN : Franklin D. ROOSEVELT.
- [vii] A. : i.e. ATAMAN.
- [viii] Wanda WASILEWSKA: Wanda L'vovna VASILEVSKAYA, a well-known Soviet writer. Born in POLAND. In USSR since 1939.

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## Comments

- [Cont'd]: [ix] SOSNKOWSKI : Gen. Kasimierz SOSNKOWSKI. Became  
C-in-C Polish Armed Forces in 1943.
- [x] COUNTRY : U.S.A.
- [xi] ISLAND : Great Britain.
- [xii] MAY : Stepan Zakharovich APRESYAN, Soviet  
Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

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